

March 23, 1994

LB 37, 211, 211A, 291, 291A, 436, 436A, 498
498A, 910, 1001, 1001A, 1292, 1363, 1364

SENATOR WILL: One minute.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...are paying to change their water wells, to relocate their water wells. Twenty percent of domestic water testing indicates nitrate pollution above the ten parts per million level. So then it goes on to say that an indirect measure of the cost of reducing environmental impacts is obtained by comparing agricultural production growth that reflects the effects of agricultural pollution with productivity growth that ignores environmental effects. This, in turn, will be used to calculate the change in farm income when undesirable environmental effects are explicitly accounted for. Since the contamination of ground and surface water from application of agricultural chemicals has a measurable negative environmental impact, the "shadow price" of these undesirable outputs will be negative. You know, this shadow price is so dark,...

SENATOR WILL: Time.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...in this state and Legislature, we can't see it at all, can we?

SENATOR WILL: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Before we proceed, Senator Bromm has a guest under the north balcony, Chuck Jura of Columbus. If you would stand please and have the Legislature welcome to you. Mr. Clerk, I understand we have a priority motion on the desk.

CLERK: I do, Mr. President. With your permission, may I read some items.

SENATOR WILL: Proceed, please.

CLERK: Business and Labor offers a confirmation hearing. Senator Landis has amendments to be printed to LB 1292; Senator Landis to LB 910. Bills read on Final Reading have been presented to the Governor. (Re: LB 211, LB 211A, LB 291, LB 291A, LB 436, LB 436A, LB 1001, LB 1001A, LB 498, LB 498A.) Business and Labor Committee reports LB 1364 to General File with amendments, and LB 1363 indefinitely postponed. (See pages 1353-54 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, a priority motion by Senator Hall. He'd move to recess until 1:30 p.m.